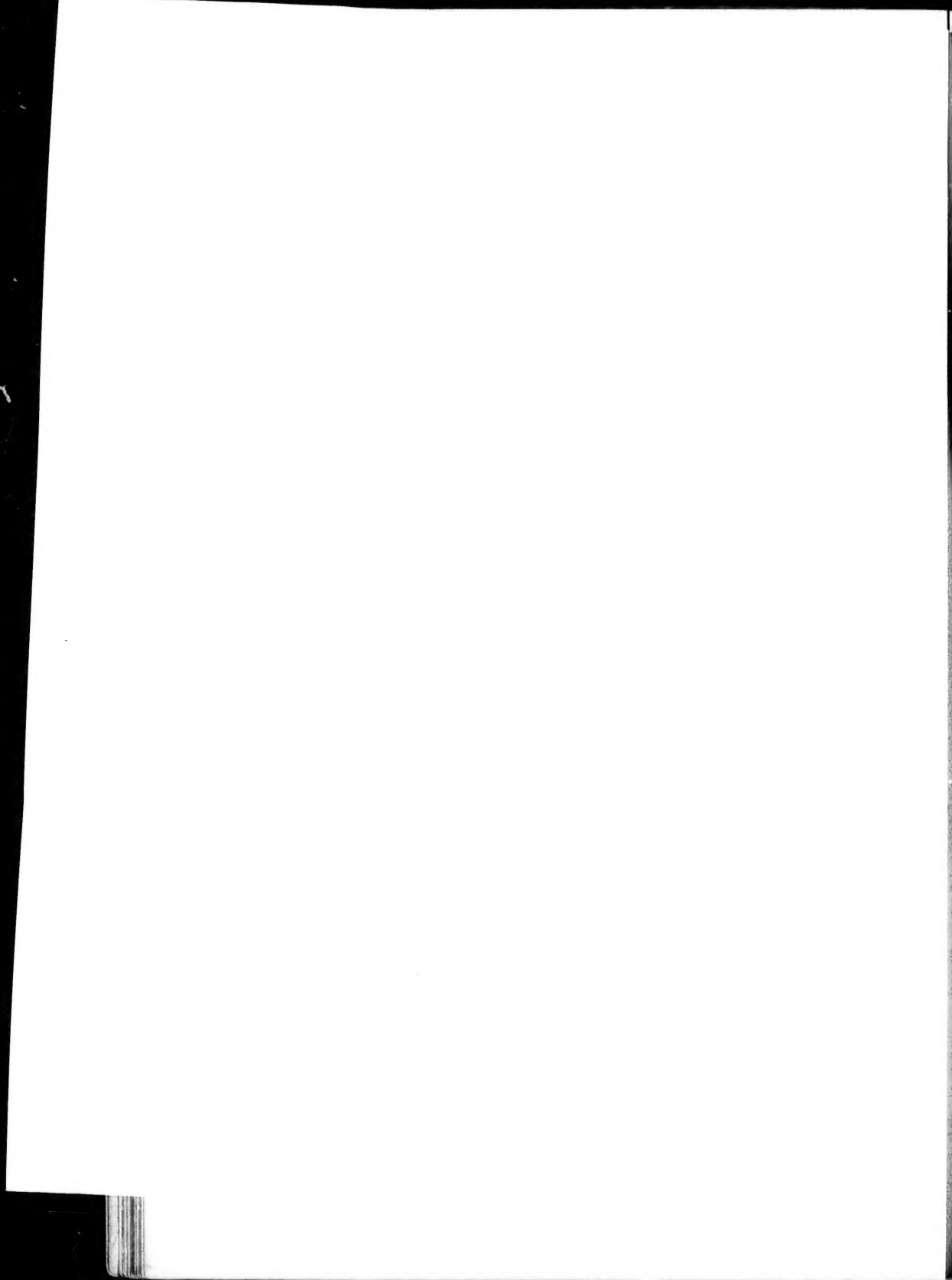




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First Day—Morning Session.

The Second Annual Session of the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., of British Columbia, was called to order at 10:45 a. m., Grand Master Workman Leiser in the Chair.

On the roll being called, the following officers were reported present:

G. Leiser.....	Grand Master Workman
Marcus Wolfe.....	Grand Foreman
Murray Thain.....	Grand Overseer
Henry Jewell.....	Grand Recorder
R. T. Williams.....	Grand Receiver
Robert Dinsdale.....	Grand Inside Watchman
R. B. Kelly.....	Grand Trustee
Henry Kipp.....	Grand Trustee
W. A. De Wolfe Smith.....	Grand Medical Examiner
Hugh Yondall.....	Committee on Finance
Edward Bragg.....	Committee on Finance
Henry Hoy.....	Supreme Lodge Representative

On motion, Bro. A. M. Bullock was appointed to act as Assistant Grand Recorder.

The Grand Master Workman appointed the following Committee on Credentials:

A. B. Kelly, Brunette Lodge, No. 9.
H. Kipp, Chilliwhack Valley Lodge, No. 10.
Ed. Bragg, Sullivan Lodge, No. 6.

After a short recess the Committee on Credentials presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., British Columbia:

Your Committee on Credentials beg leave to report that they have duly examined the credentials presented them, and find the following named Past Master Workmen entitled to seats in the Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. KELLY,
H. KIPP,
E. BRAGG,

Committee.

NAME OF LODGE.	No.	LOCATION.	REPRESENTATIVE.
Victoria.....	1	Victoria,	J. D. Warren.
Victoria.....	1	Victoria,	Charles Steers.
Granville.....	2	Vancouver,	Stanley James.
Granville.....	2	Vancouver,	A. M. Bullock.
Beaver.....	3	New Westminster	David Murchie.
Nanaimo.....	4	Nanaimo,	Chas. W. Horth.
Nanaimo.....	4	Nanaimo,	John Frame,
Vancouver ...	5	Victoria,	Wm. Jackson.
Vancouver ...	5	Victoria,	James Critchley.
Sullivan.....	6	Victoria,	M. McGregor.
Western Star.	7	Victoria,	James H. Hughes.
Brunette....	9	Sapperton,	W.A.DeW. Smith.
Perseverance .	11	Vancouver,	F. L. Budlong.
Delta.....	12	Ladner's Landing,	H. D. Benson.
Leiser.....	13	Comox,	Jules X. Willemar.

Cloverdale, . . .	14	Cloverdale,	R. B. Hill.
Inland	15	Kamloops,	Jas. C. Tunstall.
Vernon	16	Vernon,	Edward Driscoll.
Maple Leaf . .	17	Port Haney,	Hector Ferguson.

The Grand Lodge Degree was then conferred upon the following brethren by the Grand Master Workman:

J. D. Warren, Charles Steers, Stanley James, David Murchie, John Frame, Wm. Jackson, James Critchley, M. McGregor, Jules X. Willemar.

After which, Grand Master Leiser made the following appointments:

Bro. F. S. Budlong, Grand Guide in place of Bro. Freeman, absent.

Bro. Hector Ferguson, on Committee of Laws, in place of Bro. R. T. Williams, resigned.

Bro. Wm. Jackson, on Committee on Laws, in place of Bro. Freeman, absent.

Bro. Edward Driscoll, on Committee of Finance, in place of Bro. Salmon, absent.

On motion, the Grand Lodge took recess to meet again at 1 o'clock.

Afternoon Session.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 1 p. m., Grand Master Leiser in the Chair.

On roll call the Grand Officers and Representatives were all reported present.

The Committee on Credentials reported Bro. L. Paisley entitled to a seat as representative of Chillawhack Valley Lodge, No. 10.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER WORKMAN GUSTAV LEISER.

SECOND ANNUAL SESSION, 1893.

*To the Officers and Representatives of the Grand Lodge,
A. O. U. W., British Columbia :*

BRETHREN :—In compliance with the constitution of our beloved Order it becomes my duty to render you an account of my official acts as Grand Master Workman, during my term of office.

CHANGE OF PLACE FOR THIS MEETING.

I received a petition signed by the majority of members of last Grand Lodge Session asking that this meeting be changed from Chilliwack to New Westminster, giving good substantial reasons for the change. Through the objections of some of the representatives from Chilliwack Valley Lodge, No. 10, the change could not be made.

DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

On July 31st last, I appointed Bro. M. Bate, P. M. W., as District Deputy Grand Master Workman for Nanaimo and vicinity.

Also on Aug. 1st last, Bro. W. H. Keary, P. M. W., for the Mainland of British Columbia.

BRO. WM. ROSS.

On April 16th, 1892, I received a communication from Bro. Wm. Ross proposing to organize subordinate lodges in several places on the mainland. I replied to him on the 20th April, as follows :

Wm. Ross, Esq.,

DEAR SIR AND BRO :—Replying to your favor of the 16th inst., I shall be pleased for you to take the field on the mainland in the interest of our Order. In organizing new lodges I would ask you to carry out the following rules.

(1.) Do not organize with less than 25 charter members.

(2.) Do not take any bad risks, as the success of our new jurisdiction depends on good risks.

(3.) Do not engage a doctor that you cannot depend upon, as we must have a reliable man.

(4.) I also would not advise you to try such places that can not give us a good working lodge, it would be spending money without doing any good. I think, however, that from the places you mentioned, Ladner's, Surrey, and Langley, can be worked successfully. I would therefore ask you to take these places first. Allow me to state to you here that I can allow you only fifty dollars for each lodge that will be organized through you getting the required number necessary, and can allow or pay for no other expenses you may have. Should you be satisfied with those conditions please answer at once and I will see that the necessary papers are forwarded to you.

I remain, yours,

In C. H. & P.,

GUSTAV LEISER, G. M. W.

On April 25th, I met Bro. Ross at New Westminster, where he agreed to organize at Ladner's Landing, under the above conditions. I assisted at the organization of Delta Lodge, No. 12, on May the 9th last, and paid Bro. Ross the fifty dollars.

Bro. Ross, in a letter dated August 4th, informed me that the formation of several lodges would take place as follows : Cloverdale, August 15th ; Langley, August 17th ; Aldergrove, August 19th ; Maple Ridge on or about August 22nd. I met Bro. Ross a few days later at New Westminster, when I informed him that we would allow him seventy-five dollars for each organization, and we agreed that I should be at Cloverdale the 15th August, to organize the several lodges as mentioned. On arriving at Cloverdale with Bro. De Wolf Smith, G. M. Examiner, we found that Bro. Ross had as yet no applicant examined, and that in other places nothing had been done to organize as agreed. With great difficulty, with the assistance of Bros. Hoy, Johnson, and Adams, I obtained sufficient applicants and organized Cloverdale Lodge the same evening. Bro. Ross had in the meantime received in all, \$87.50, which amount had been advanced to him, he therefore received more than amount due him for Cloverdale organization.

I received however on October 17th last, a letter from Bro. Ross stating that he had forwarded a claim against the Grand Lodge to our Recorder, which will in due time come before you and I would ask you without further comment to allow the matter to have a full investigation, and therefore attach all letters referred to, with my report.

DISPENSATIONS.

I have on many occasions granted dispensations to several lodges to confer both degrees the same meeting night upon a brother.

On October 14th, to Sullivan Lodge, No. 6, to hold a social under the auspices of the Order.

On December 24th, to Delta Lodge, No. 12, for the same purpose.

DECISIONS.

1. Every representative of the Grand Lodge is entitled to receive the Grand Lodge Degree.

2. A Master Workman serving part or end of a term on account of Death, resignation or inability of the previous Master Workman, becomes a P.M.W. at the expiration of the term.

3. All representatives of the Grand Lodge must be Past M.W., or members who have served three consecutive years as Recorder, Financier or Receiver.

It would be irksome to give you all my decisions, as a great part of them are well known and established rules of the order.

BY-LAWS.

I recommend that a more uniform scale of admission fee for all subordinate lodges be adopted.

MORTALITY.

During the past year three deaths have occurred, which required eleven assessments, and I am pleased to state that all claims were paid promptly.

A report of our departed brethren will be furnished you by the Grand Recorder.

GROWTH OF THE ORDER.

I am pleased to say this has been very satisfactory, the following lodges having been organized since our last annual meeting.

Delta	Lodge, No. 12,	on May 9th,	by G. Leiser, G. M. W.
Leiser	"	13, " July 21st,	"
Cloverdale	"	14, " August 15th,	"
Inland	"	15, " September 9th,	"
Vernon	"	16, " Nov. 12,	by Bro. W. R. Robertson.
Maple Leaf	"	17, " January 16th,	by Bro. J. Johnson.

Making a total of 17 lodges in the Jurisdiction, with a membership of 705.

It is to be regretted that the increase in membership with some of the lodges has been either none or very small. We have, I am sorry to say, so many brethren in our ranks who will accept all the benefits of the Order but otherwise take no interest in the same. They pay their dues and assessments, because they know that they have a first-class Beneficiary Certificate for \$2,000, which cost them very little, but they are never seen at the lodge room and seldom ask an acquaintance to join the Order. This is not as it should be, I think we should legislate upon the question of each subordinate lodge to secure and maintain a percentage of increase, that is to say, to keep up the proper ratio of percentage of net increase over losses, so that the assessments will not increase and become burdensome upon the members, and I hope that the Supreme Lodge will find some way out of this much discussed question.

In May last I issued the following circular to every member of this Jurisdiction.

VICTORIA, B. C., 1892.

Office of Grand Master Workman, A. O. U. W.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER :—The deep interest that I feel in the future welfare of the Jurisdiction of British Columbia prompts me to address you personally.

It is unnecessary for me to refer to the past. You know it better than I do. We are more concerned now with British Columbia's future than its past. What that future shall be depends upon your individual efforts. The Supreme Lodge fixed your maximum rate at 20 for the ensuing year. The sole purpose of this concession was to enable British Columbia to build up; to become self-supporting; to attain a place among the leading jurisdictions. It only requires a little effort upon your part to accomplish this result. It is only necessary that each member in British

Columbia shall bring in one new member through the coming year to settle the question of British Columbia's future once and for all. Will you not take an application and get one new member at once? You can easily do it if you will. I sincerely hope that you have enough interest in the success of the Order in your jurisdiction, in the prosperity of your own Lodge, to make this effort without delay.

You can say to your friends on behalf of the A.O.U.W. what no other member of any other fraternal beneficiary can say.

1st. That the A. O. U. W. is the oldest and largest society of its kind in the world.

2nd. That it is the only society of its kind that gives to each member a guaranteed maximum annual cost.

The age and strength and the annual guarantee are unassailable arguments in favor of the A. O. U. W.

My Brother: Your own interest is at stake in this matter. An increasing membership means a decreasing cost, and self-interest should prompt you to make an effort to increase the membership in British Columbia.

But more than this: If you do not make the necessary effort now, if British Columbia through the effort and work of her members does not become self-supporting during the time-limit of this concession, you cannot expect the Order at large to bear longer any portion of your burden. Whatever the cost may be, you will have to bear it hereafter. It will be small or large just as you make it by your work or by your neglect.

The Order at large through the medium of the Relief Law has shown to you that the fraternity of the A. O. U. W. is a reality. Will you not respond in the same fraternal spirit and prove to your Brother Workmen everywhere that the Workmen of British Columbia know how to appreciate a

fraternal act, and stand ready to show forth their appreciation by active and aggressive work for the Order ?

Fraternally yours,

G. LEISER,

Grand Master Workman.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. The Supreme Lodge at its last session adopted the report of the Committee on Laws, fixing the maximum age limit, viz. : "The Grand Lodge may at their option reduce the maximum age limit to 45 years." I would strongly recommend the adoption of this limit for our jurisdiction.

2. Also that we should not encourage extra hazardous risks, such as coal miners and sealers. An accident causing the death of several members at one time would be a very serious matter and in justice to our organization we should discourage the admittance of such risks.

GRAND LECTURER.

There is great need of a Grand Lecturer being placed in the field, but the financial standing of our small jurisdiction does not as yet allow such a venture. I think however that the Supreme Lodge should aid in the extension of the Order in the several jurisdictions, by appointing lecturers in the interest of the Order.

APPOINTMENT OF G. M. EXAMINER, PRO. TEM.

On January 3rd last, I appointed Bro. H. E. Langis, M.D., Grand Medical Examiner, pro. tem., until the recovery from a severe illness of our esteemed G. M. E. Bro. W. A. De Wolfe Smith.

BRO. JOS. JOHNSON.

Bro. W. H. Keary, D. D. G. M., was very fortunate in securing the services of Bro. Johnson for the organization of

new lodges on the mainland of British Columbia, and I cannot but highly recommend Bro. Johnson for the work, and I take this occasion to express my thanks to Bro. Johnson for the efficient services rendered so willingly to the jurisdiction on so many occasions.

CONCLUSION.

During my term of office I have visited nearly every subordinate lodge within the jurisdiction, and while my work has at times been trying it has been performed with pleasure, always in remembrance of the great good to be accomplished. I cannot close without returning thanks to the Grand Recorder, who I have always found at his post doing his duty to the Order faithfully. To our Grand Receiver my most sincere thanks are due for his many courtesies and services rendered so willingly. I also desire to express my thanks to the officers and members of the Grand Lodge who have so often assisted me in my work.

Thanking you for the trust you have placed in me, and wishing our great Order unbounded success in the future.

I remain, fraternally yours,

In C. H. & P.,

GUSTAV LEISER.

Grand Master Workman.

On motion, the report of Grand Master Leiser was referred to a special committee, consisting of Bros. Wolfe, Kelly and McGregor, except his decisions and recommendations which were referred to the Committee on Laws.

GRAND RECORDER'S REPORT.

*To the Officers and Representatives of the Grand Lodge,
A. O. U. W., of British Columbia :*

BRETHREN—The time has arrived when I am called upon to give an account of my duties during the past year. To me it has been one of anxiety, as I believe upon our first year or two years will depend, in a great measure, the success of our Grand Lodge in this Province.

To make our Order in this jurisdiction a success it requires the help and assistance of every true and loyal brother. To increase our membership it will be necessary for us to reach every home in British Columbia which will offer us a suitable candidate for membership.

Our increase during the past year has not been all that we expected, and the officers wish to see a greater effort on the part of our members. Personal canvassing is the most successful way of adding to our numbers and advancing our order.

My correspondence on account of many new lodges being formed, and many of the officers being new to the work, has been extensive, and taken much time. This part of my work has always been a pleasurable duty, and if I have not answered every communication promptly, it has been because some other lodge business was more pressing.

The case of Brother Roland Green is one which has caused the Grand Officers no small amount of thought and anxiety. The case may be briefly stated as follows:

Before the law was enacted by the Supreme Lodge making it compulsory for every member to make his Beneficiary Certificate payable only to one related to him or one dependent upon him. In the year 1884, Brother Green made his beneficiary payable to a friend, John Graham.

This friend has paid all dues and assessments, keeping him still in good standing.

Grand Master Workman Leiser received a note from Brother MacLaughlan, who is acting in the interest of Mr. Graham, to which I was instructed to reply as follows:

VICTORIA, October 13th, 1892.

J. H. MacLaughlan, Esq.,

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—Your favor of 6th September, *re* payment of Beneficiary Certificate in favor John Graham, I beg to say: That I consider the Grand Lodge of British Columbia liable for all Beneficiary Certificates issued strictly in accordance to the then existing laws by the old jurisdiction, and I am of the opinion that in the year 1884 there was nothing in our laws prohibiting the payment of a Beneficiary to any one except a relative or a person depending upon him, which is now the case.

We cannot issue new beneficiary certificates to Brother Roland Green, only in accordance with the laws of our order as they now stand.

I give this as my opinion and cannot guarantee to you what action the Grand Lodge will take when the claim becomes payable.

Fraternally yours,

GUSTAV LEISER,

In C. H. & P.,

Grand Master.

HENRY JEWELL,

Grand Recorder.

This reply did not satisfy Bro. Joshua H. MacLaughlin, and at his request I wrote to Supreme Recorder Sackett, stating the case very fully and closed my letter by extracts from

Grand Master Leiser's letter and said: What he wishes to know seems to me is this. If he continues to pay Brother Green's assessments and dues to his Subordinate Lodge, and Brother Green does not change his beneficiary certificate, which is now payable by the Oregon and Washington jurisdiction, will we, that is the British Columbia jurisdiction, have to pay the claim to him or his heirs at Brother Green's death? Supreme Recorder Sackett replied:

MEADVILLE, October 31st, 1892.

Hy. Jewell, Grand Recorder, Victoria. B. C.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER : The question which you ask is one that should require an official reply, if it is to be of any service to you. I therefore have referred the matter with the letters to Supreme Master Workman Burt, asking him to take an early opportunity to make an official reply.

M. W. SACKETT,
Supreme Recorder.

Supreme Master J. Edward Burt replied:

OFFICE SUPREME MASTER WORKMAN,
Malden, Mass., 1892.

Hy. Jewell, Grand Recorder, Victoria, B. C.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER :—In answer to your enquiry of Bro. Sackett, Supreme Recorder, referred to me by him, it is extremely difficult to give you an opinion, the case being one which most likely will get into the courts, and as the decisions, so far as they have been made in similar cases, are somewhat at variance, it appears to me that some course should be taken to compromise the case if possible.

The laws of the Order are very decided upon the question of Beneficiary, and my predecessors have decided that it could not be pledged to secure a debt.

To bridge over the difficulty of obtaining the present certificate, the member can file an affidavit that his certificate has been lost, or is withheld from him, upon which affidavit a duplicate certificate can be issued to him, and upon that certificate he can authorize a change of beneficiary, in accordance with the laws of your jurisdiction.

I assume that your Grand Lodge authorized you to call in all certificates for which your jurisdiction is liable and to issue new ones in place of them, if such should be the fact, I am clearly of the opinion that the member could have charges preferred against him, tried, and if found guilty, expelled from the order. Of course a demand must first be made upon him to surrender his old certificate.

The laws of this State regarding life insurance would give his heirs the benefit, in case of his death in good standing.

Fraternally yours.

J. EDWARD BURTT.

Supreme Master Workman.

"One reason why we have been so particular in this case is, there may be other beneficiary certificates in some of our older lodges, which are payable to friends (or as per will etc.,) and while we are issuing new certificates in lieu of those now held by some of the members, which are payable in the Oregon and Washington jurisdiction, we must issue them only as the laws of our Order now direct.

There has been some unpleasant duties to perform in connection with work of my office, to which I will not refer but briefly. One of the most prominent of these was the unreasonable delay which occurred by the Washington jurisdiction neglecting to promptly settle our death claims which occurred between our separation from Oregon and Washington jurisdictions, and the formation of our Grand Lodge.

We received the usual notices and they accepted of our assessments, but neglected or rather refused to pay our death claims. Several letters passed between Grand Recorder Steinback and myself on the question. The officers of the subordinate lodges appealed to the Grand officers of this jurisdiction, with the express wish that we bring this matter to an issue by bringing it with all our correspondence to the Supreme Lodge for adjustment.

I am pleased to say these claims were at length settled without our applying to the Supreme Lodge.

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT.

Name of Lodge.	No. of Lodge.	No. of Members.	NUMBER JOINED.											Total Increase.	Suspended.	Cancelled.	Died.	Total Members.	Increase.	Decrease.	Average Age.
			April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.								
Victoria	1	130	2	2	6	2		1	5	1	6			25		3	1	156			
Granville	2	44	3				1	1		1				7				50			
Beaver	3	59													3			55	4		
Nanaimo	4	86				3			1	1				5	1	2	1	87			
Vancouver	5	74					1	2	1					4		2	1	75			
Sullivan	6	28	1				3	2			1			8		1		33		35	
Western Star	7	20		2			1	1	1					5	2			23		34	3
Fraser	8	23	1		1					2	1			5				25		34	
Burnette	9	21												1	1	1	6	15	7	37	
Chilliwack Valley	10	30	2	2	2									7	10			27		36	
Perseverance	11	19								3	1			5				24		35	1
Delta	12		32											32	5			27	5	37	2
Leiser	13					13								13				13		34	
Cloverdale	14						16	1	2					19	2			17	2	33	
Inland	15							28						28				29		33	
Vernon	16									19				19				19		40	
														183				669			

RECEIPTS.

LODGE AND NUMBER.	BENEFICIARY FUND.												GENERAL FUND.								
	ASSESSMENTS.												Total.	Per Capita.	Supplies.	Beneficiary Certificate.	Organization.	Total.			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12									
	\$												\$								
Victoria, No. 1	138	120	120	160	141	157	133						29	451	46	1	4			1122 00	
Granville, No. 2.....	41	41	41	41	35	36	38	49	49	50										502 00	
Beaver, No. 3	59	59	58	58	48	49	49	56	56	56			548	59						607 00	
Nanai'co, No. 4.....	84	84	84	84	86	86	86	86	86	86	87	87	852	85						937 65	
Vancouver, No. 5.....	71	71	71	71	77	73	73	75	75	76	75		808	73	4	50	31			917 50	
Sullivan, No. 6.....	29	29	28	28	29	29	29	28	28	28	31	32	348	29	6	60	34			417 60	
Western Star, No. 7.	21	21	22	22	22	23	23	21	21	21			217	22	24	00	22			285 00	
Fraser, No. 8.....	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23				161	23			18			202 00	
Brunette, No. 9.....	13	13	14	14	14	16	17	14	14	14			143	14	12	80	21			190 80	
Chilliwack Valley, No. 10..	32	32	24	24	24	24	25						185	32			26			243 00	
Perseverance, No. 11.....	19	19	19	19	19	16	19	18	18	18			187	19	21	40	20			247 40	
Delta, No. 12.....	24	24	24	24	32	29	29	27	27	27	27	27	321	24	40	20	24	100	00	509 20	
Leiser, No. 12.....					13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	104		10	00	13	100	00	222 00	
Cloverdale, No. 14.....					16	16	16	17	17	17			116		38	50	16	100	00	270 50	
Inland, No. 15.....								20	20	20	24	24	108		7	25	16	100	00	224 00	
Vernon, No. 16.....																9	00		27	00	36 00
Maple Leaf, No. 17.....	551	536	528	568	580	593	578	424	424	426	187	96	29	5528	571	172	65	240	427	00	\$6833 65

STATEMENT.

General Fund. . .	\$1410 65	Beneficiary Fund. .	\$5523 00
J. E. Galbraith . . .	6 50	General Fund . . .	1680 10
Sundries, H. Jewell	112 95		
Adv'd R. T. Williams	150 00		
	\$1680 10		
			\$7203 10

Trusting that this report will convey to you all the necessary details of our work, I congratulate our jurisdiction on the measure of prosperity which has attended our labours since we were organized.

I cannot but express my hearty thanks to our Grand Master Workman Leiser, and Grand Receiver Williams, and all other officers who are connected with me and who have shown me no little kindness and have helped me by counsel and advice.

I fraternally submit this report,

In C. H. and P.,

HENRY JEWELL,

Grand Recorder.

On motion, the report of Grand Recorder Jewell was referred to the Committees on Finance and Laws.

Maple Leaf, No. 17.
 551 536 528 568 580 593 578 424 424 436 187 96 29 5523 571 172 65 240 427 00 80823 65
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GRAND RECEIVER'S REPORT.

GRAND RECEIVER'S OFFICE, A. O. U. W.,

VICTORIA, B. C., March 1st, 1893.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, in session:

BRETHREN:—I herewith submit the the report of your Receiver, from April 1st, 1892, to December 31st, 1892, in accordance with Art. 7, Sec. 8, page 15, G. L. Constitution.

In O. H. & P.,

R. T. WILLIAMS,

Grand Receiver.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

			GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
			Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
1892.						
April 14	Advanced by R. T. Williams.		8150 00			
June 8	Rec'd from Grand Recorder		46 00			
11	" "		19 00			
11	" "		24 00			
18	" "		22 00			
20	" "		85 00			
20	Paid Ross			25 00		
24	Paid Morrison			125 50		
24	Rec'd from Grand Recorder.		145 00			
25	" "		26 00			
25	" "		6 00			
25	" "		32 00			
25	" "		73 00			
Aug. 4	" "		23 00			
4	" "				32 00	
4	" "				19 00	
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4	" "		100 00			
4	" "		8 00			
4	" "				42 00	
4	" "				46 00	
4	" "				64 00	
4	" "				118 00	
4	" "				19 00	
4	" "				58 00	
4	" "				142 00	
18	" "				32 00	
18	" "		40 20			
Carried forward....			\$ 805 20	\$ 150 50	\$ 572 00	

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES—*Continued.*

		GENERAL FUND		BENEFICIARY FUND	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
	Brought forward....	8 805 20	8 150 50	8 572 00	
Aug. 18	Rec'd from Grand Recorder.			94 00	
18	" "			168 00	
20	Paid Ellis & Co.....		50 00		
20	" Cohen.....		50 00		
20	" R. T. Williams refund..		150 00		
22	" Ellis & Co.....		65 00		
24	" M. Miller.....		49 50		
24	Rec'd from Grand Recorder.			138 00	
24	" "			120 00	
24	" "			120 00	
24	" "	3 00			
Sept. 6	" "			36 00	
9	" "			116 00	
9	" "			142 00	
9	" "	59 00			
9	" "	1 50			
9	" "			99 00	
20	" "			160 00	
24	Paid J. Cohen.....		38 11		
26	" Hy. Jewell.....		525 25		
26	Rec'd from Grand Recorder	4 40			
26	" "			16 00	
26	" "			32 00	
27	" "			2 00	
27	" "	24 00			
Oct. 1	" "	29 00			
10	" "			32 00	
10	" "			141 00	
Nov. 1	" "	35 00			
1	" "			57 00	
1	" "			46 00	
1	" "			114 00	
7	" "			298 00	
7	" "			58 00	
7	" "			295 00	
24	" "			40 00	
25	" "			41 00	
25	" "	242 90			
30	" "			48 00	
Dec. 5	" "			26 00	
5	" "			84 00	
7	" "			25 00	
9	" "			42 00	
10	" "			200 00	
16	" "			226 00	
16	" "			31 00	
16	" "			39 00	
17	" "			78 00	
17	" "			63 00	
17	Paid Grand Recorder		112 95		
17	Rec'd from Grand Recorder.	112 95			
	Carried forward....	8 1316 95	8 1191 31	8 3799 00	

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES—*Continued.*

		GENERAL FUND		BENEFICIARY FUND	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
	Brought forward....	\$ 1316 65	\$1191 31	\$3799 00	
Dec. 17	Rec'd from Grand Recorder.			6 00	
17	" "	1 00			
20	" "			258 00	
21	" "			60 00	
24	" "			54 00	
29	" "	65		258 00	
31	" "			48 00	
31	" "			26 00	
31	" "			17 00	
31	Paid Mrs. A. Lewis.....				2000 00
31	" Mrs. Garnett on acc't..				300 00
31	Rec'd from Grand Recorder.			465 00	
31	Paid Warrants 17, 18, 19, 20.		94 20		
31	Rec'd from Grand Recorder.			63 00	
31	" "	361 50		469 00	
31	Organizing Grand Lodge B.C.				
	Outstanding Order, No. 1.		150 00		
	Balance on hand.....		244 59		
	Balance on hand B. F.....				3223 00
		\$1680 10	\$1680 10	\$5523 00	\$5523 00

On motion, the report of Grand Receiver Williams was referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF G. M. EXAMINER.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C., March 13th, 1892.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, A. O. U. W. :

BRETHREN :—I beg herewith to submit the report of the transactions of my office for the year ending March 12th, 1893.

During this time I have received and passed upon 266 Medical Examiner's reports, and of these have accepted 248 and rejected 18. The causes of the different rejections were as follows :—

Consumptive history (family and personal)	7
Hemorrhage from lungs	1
Overweight	2
Scrofula and history of insanity	1
Enlargement of heart	1
Irregularity of heart's action	1
Weak action of heart	1
Discharge from the ears and dizziness	1
Dyspepsia and asthma	1
Not recorded	2

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The deaths during the year have fortunately been few, numbering only 3. The causes of the deaths and other particulars are shown in the subjoined table, which has been kindly furnished me by the Grand Recorder.

No.	NAME.	Name and No. of Lodge.	Date.	Age	Cause of Death.	Time in Order.	
						Yrs.	Mos.
1	Thos. B. Lewis.	Nanaimo, No. 4.	May 18th	51	Apoplexy	3	6
2	John Smith	Vancouver, No 5.	Sept. 1st.	53	Bright's Disease.	10	
3	Ed. Garnett	Victoria, No. 1..	Oct. 5th.	36	Pneumonia	11	3
Average						8	10

The average age of the 266 applicants was 35.88 years.

The average age of the 248 accepted applicants was 35.65 years ; and of the 18 rejected applicants, 39, years.

It will be noticed that nearly one-half of the total number of rejections were on account of some family or personal history of consumption, or a tendency thereto. In making these rejections I have simply followed out the printed rules on the back of the medical reports, without going so far as the jurisdiction of Massachusetts, where, according to a letter I received from the late Supreme Physician, Dr. Hugh Doherty, (who was also Grand Medical Examiner in that jurisdiction) they rejected any applicant whose family history showed even one member who had suffered from consumption. I believe this to be a sound view, for not only is consumption, or rather the tendency or liability to it, inherited, but it has been proved that the disease is directly communicable from one person to another.

Fortunately we have to record no death from small-pox during the past year, although that disease was more or less prevalent in this Province all the year. I beg that no one be accepted a member of the Order in this jurisdiction who has not been vaccinated successfully since his 15th year. The mortality of small-pox among the unvaccinated is so great that this jurisdiction cannot afford to include such persons in its membership.

Thus, to quote a few figures during the epidemic of small-pox in Montreal in 1885-86, 1474 cases were admitted in the Civic Hospitals, and of these cases 463 died. Of the 1474 cases 920 were not vaccinated, and 17 cases were second attacks. Of the 920 not vaccinated, 358 or 38.91 per cent. died, while of the 537 who were vaccinated, 105 or only 19.55 per cent. died.

I would also ask this Grand Lodge to consider the advisability of reducing the age limit from 50 to 45 years, and also the question of whether coal miners shall be considered

eligible for membership. I am of the opinion myself that persons engaged in under-ground mining should not be accepted as members—not on account of any extra liability to disease, but on account of the frequency and severity of accidents among such men.

Fortunately for us as a jurisdiction, the number of deaths which have occurred amongst us is too small to deduce any practical lessons from, and I hope that next year will give us as favorable a showing.

In concluding this meagre report, I have to tender my thanks to the grand officers, particularly District Deputy Grand Masterworkman W. H. Keary, Esq., and Grand Recorder H. Jewell, Esq., for much assistance and advice, and

Remain in C. H. & P.,

W. A. DEWOLFE SMITH, M. D.,

Grand Medical Examiner.

On motion, the report of Grand Medical Examiner, Bro. W. A. De Wolfe Smith, was referred to the Special Committee on the G. M. W. report.

REPORT OF THE REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SUPREME LODGE.

*To the Grand Master Workman, Officers and Brothers of
the Grand Lodge A. O. U. W., British Columbia :*

We, your representatives, having attended the twentieth stated meeting of the Supreme Lodge, held in the city of Helena, Montana, June the 14th to the 22nd, beg leave to submit our report.

After being delayed three days at Missoula through a washout on the railway. We reached Helena on the 17th of June, the Supreme Lodge had then been in session three

days transacting principally routine business, the more important work of the session took place after our arrival.

That part of the Supreme Master's report referring to British Columbia was referred to a special committee, Supreme Master Workman Kingsly, Bro. Sullivan, your representatives, and the delegates from Washington and Oregon, attended the meeting of the committee giving every explanation necessary with regard to setting British Columbia apart as a separate jurisdiction. Showing to the committee that what has been done was perfectly satisfactory to the three jurisdictions directly interested, nevertheless the committee's report to the Supreme Lodge did not approve the action of the Supreme Master. When the report came before the Supreme Lodge an additional clause was moved, and carried (almost unanimously) endorsing the Supreme Master's action, and instructing the Supreme Lodge to grant a Charter to the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

Section 44 of the Supreme Lodge Constitution was amended, giving Grand Lodges the power to change the maximum age of applicants for Membership from Fifty to Forty-five years.

The Maximum Assessment for British Columbia was fixed at twenty until the next re-adjustment.

A copy of our Constitution was presented to the Committee on Laws, who reported their adoption, which report was sanctioned by the Supreme Lodge.

The Supreme Lodge will hold its next session in the City of Toronto, Ontario, commencing on the Third Tuesday in June, 1893.

Your Representatives wish to place upon record their appreciation of the treatment they received from the Brethren and Citizens of Helena. Their attention and hospitality being without a parallel.

We also found in Bro. James Sullivan the same earnest

worker for the welfare of British Columbia that he prove to be while with us last year.

In conclusion we would mention that every jurisdiction was represented, and that harmony and a spirit of enthusiasm characterized the session. Consideration was shown your Delegation, each of your Representatives having a place on some committee.

Faternally submitted in C. H. & P.

J. T. McILMOYL.

W. H. KEARY.

H. HOY.

NANAIMO, B. C., March 10th, 1893.

*To the Grand Master Workman, Officers and Members of
the Grand Lodge of the Ancient Order of United
Workmen, British Columbia:*

DEAR SIR AND BRETHREN:—I very much regret that pressing business precludes my attendance at the annual meeting of Grand Lodge.

Much as I would wish to join in the deliberations and work of the first gathering of Grand Lodge Officers and Members, my regular duties here will not permit of my leaving home at the present time. I must therefore beg that my absence be excused.

Since the date of the appointment as D. D. Grand Master, for Vancouver Island, with which the Grand Master honored me, I have not made a journey to Victoria, nor have I been able to go north, as far as Comox, and have not consequently made any official visit to a lodge at either of those places. The welfare of the Order at the capital city and vicinity has, I am advised, been well guarded and promoted by zealous brethren in that section.

At Nanaimo lodge we have added a few members to the roll, as the Records report will show; but the increase in

members has not been as large as we would like to have seen it, or what might have been expected with its efficient and attentive officers. One or two reasons may be ascribed for this. First: Benevolent and other societies—some of them having an insurance or endowment branch—are very numerous in Nanaimo. About thirty different lodges are advertised, and as all are doubtless seeking recruits we seem unable, so to speak, to take a sudden jump, or to make any rapidly great accession to our ranks. Nevertheless we may confidently, I think, look forward to a steady augmentation of membership.

Again, the question of unrestricted admission of miners is perhaps a cause of hindrance to our progress, a cause which in my humble opinion should be entirely removed. In this district, populated as it is mostly by miners, we could make only poor headway in our lodges without their support. As a class they are, as a general rule, alike worthy, steady, and healthy, and it will not I firmly believe in any way militate against the interest of our Order to have it freely understood that miners will be always acceptable among the brethren of the Ancient Order of United Workmen. It is given as a fact that the death rate among miners in this neighborhood, notwithstanding their supposed extra liability to accidents underground, is no greater than that of tradesmen and others. In any case I trust the Grand Lodge will decide to leave the selection of candidates to the various lodges and Medical Examiners, subject, of course to the requirements and provisions of the Constitution.

Hoping sincerely that the business to be transacted at the Grand Lodge will be of much advantage to the Order, and conducive to its growth and prosperity,

I am, Dear Sir and Brothers,

Your very truly and fraternally,

M. BATE,

D. D. G. M. W.

DOCUMENTS.**No. 1.]****AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION.**

Resolved, that Sec. 2, Art. 7 of the Grand Lodge Constitution, be amended to read: Preserver of the Universe. "No person shall be admitted to membership in the Order who is engaged in the sale, by retail, of intoxicating liquors as a beverage."

Submitted by G. Leiser, G. M. W.

On motion referred to Committee on Laws.

No. 2.]**AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION.**

Resolved, that Sec. 1, Art. 15 of the Grand Lodge Constitution be amended by striking out the words "or to the Supreme Master Workman."

Submitted by G. Leiser, G. M. W.

On motion referred to Committee on Laws.

No. 3.]**AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION..**

Resolved, that Sec. 3, Beneficiary Certificate, (page 34) Grand Lodge Beneficiary Rules, be amended to read: "This Certificate is issued subject to and is to be construed and controlled by the laws of the order."

Submitted by G. Leiser, G. M. W.

On motion referred to Committee on Laws.

No. 4.]**AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION.**

Resolved, that Sec. 1, Art. 2 (page 52 G. L. Constitution) be made to read: Preserver of the Universe. "No

person shall be admitted to membership in the Order who is engaged in the sale by retail of intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

Submitted by G. Leiser, G.M.W.

On motion referred to Committee on Laws.

No. 5.]

AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION.

Whereas the Supreme Lodge at the last Session adopted the report of the Committee on Laws, as per Document No. 144; "fixing the Maximum Age Limit," so as "that Grand Lodges may at their option reduce the maximum age limit to forty-five years."

Be it therefore Resolved, that Sec. 1, Art. 2, Constitution of Subordinate Lodge, be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words "fifty years" found in the 4th line of said section, and inserting the words "forty-five years."

Submitted by G. Leiser, G.M.W.

On motion referred to Committee on Laws.

No. 6.]

AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION.

Resolved, that Sec. 1, Art. 3 of the G. L. Constitution be amended to read: "The place of meeting shall be fixed at each annual session. Should unavoidable circumstances arise, which in the opinion of the Grand Master Workman, Grand Foreman and Grand Overseer would render a change in the place of meeting necessary, the Grand Master Workman may change the place of meeting, giving due notice of the same to the members.

Submitted by G. Leiser, G.M.W.

On motion referred to Committee on Laws.

No. 7.]

AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Resolved, that Sec. 4, Art. 6, page 71, be amended to read : "The certificate of each member who has not paid such assessment on or before the 28th of said month shall, by the fact of such non-payment, stand suspended and no action upon the part of the lodge, or any officer thereof, shall be required as essential to such suspension. He shall apply in writing to be reinstated, which application shall be referred to a committee of three, whose duty it shall be to investigate his character and fitness for membership and report their opinion in writing to a subsequent meeting of the lodge, whereupon a ballot shall be taken under the same rules and restrictions as upon the first application for membership.

Submitted by G. Leiser, G. M. W.

On motion referred to Committee on Laws.

No. 8.]

AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Resolved, that Sec. 1, Art. 4, page 58, be amended to read : "The initiation fees for Junior Workman Degree shall be as follows :—Between the ages of 21 and 30 years, \$5.00 ; and the following be charged additional between the ages of 30 and 35, 50 cents ; 35 and 40, \$1.00 ; 40 and 45, \$2.00 for each additional year. The fee for Workman Degree shall be \$5.00 in all cases.

J. D. WARREN.

C. STEERS.

H. D. BENSON.

HY. JEWELL.

H. HOY.

On motion referred to Committee on Laws.

No. 9.]

AMENDMENT G. LODGE CONSTITUTION, PAGE 58, ARTICLE 4, SECTION 1.

Last clause, "Each lodge shall pay the Grand Medical Examiner the sum of 50 cents for every applicant examined. Each Lodge Medical Examiner shall collect 50 cents and forward the same to the Grand Medical Examiner."

JAMES CRITCHLEY,
W. JACKSON,
ROBERT DINSDALE,
JAMES H. HUGHES,
DAVID MURCHIE.

On motion referred to Committee on Laws.

No. 10.]

AMENDMENT G. LODGE CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 6, SECTION 1,
PAGE 9

Strike out "a stipulated amount per mile travelled," and insert "actual expenses of representatives to the Grand Lodge."

Approved.

JAMES CRITCHLEY,
W. JACKSON,
ROBERT DINSDALE,
J. H. HUGHES,
DAVID MURCHIE.

On motion referred to Committee on Laws.

No. 11.]

We would move that the Finance Committee be

appointed from the members residing in the same city, and that they audit the accounts quarterly.

W. JACKSON,
J. D. WARREN,
C. STEARS,
M. MCGREGOR,
H. HOY.

On motion referred to Committee on Laws.

No. 12.]

Resolved, that the election of officers for the ensuing term be fixed at 3 o'clock p. m. to-morrow, (Tuesday).

J. D. WARREN,
CHAS. STEARS,
ED. BRAGG.

Adopted.

No. 13.]

Bro. H. Youdall, of Fraser Lodge, No. 8, presented the following documents from Brother Wm. Ross:

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C., 10th March, 1893.

H. Youdall, Esq.

DEAR SIR:—Enclose please find copy of my account with the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., and beg to explain that in submitting the same that the terms upon which I entered upon this work was the following:

1st. \$50 per Lodge formed and expenses.

2nd. A monthly salary.

3rd. \$75 per Lodge formed.

The first proposition in April I then accepted, the

others were submitted to me in June and August. The above are the simple facts of the whole contention.

P. S.—I also formed the Chilliwhack Lodge, and in fact by Mr. Pheny and myself the Fraser Lodge was formed.

Truly, yours,

WILLIAM ROSS.

GRAND LODGE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA A.O.U.W.,

To WILLIAM ROSS, DR.

1892.

To canvassing district travelling expenses.

April,	To 12 days, Delta, at \$2.50 per day . . .	\$ 30 00
May	" 9 " " " " " . . .	22 50
May & June	" 15 " Maple Ridge, " " . . .	37 50
June,	8 " 3 trips, Langley, " " . . .	20 00
July & Aug.,	9 " Cloverdale, " " . . .	22 50
August,	To 3 " " " " . . .	7 50
"	" 4 " Aldergrove, " " . . .	10 00
	" express, lodge books	1 75
	" postage and pamphlets	2 50
Total		\$154 25
To organizing Delta Lodge		50 00
" Cloverdale		50 00
Total		\$254 25
By Cash at various times		110 00
Balance		\$144 25

New Westminster, B. C., March 11th, 1893.

Referred to a special committee consisting of Bro. M. Thain, Bro. L. W. Paisley and Bro. John Frame.

No. 14.]

Resolved, that the Grand Recorder be paid travelling expenses incurred when travelling on business of the Grand Lodge during the past year, and that the \$30.50 due on last year's presentation jewel, be refunded to the Grand Recorder.

W. A. DE WOLFE SMITH.

L. W. PAISLEY.

Adopted.

No. 15.]

Bro. E. Bragg, of Sullivan Lodge No. 6, presented the following:

APPLICATION *Re* ELFORD'S CASE.

VICTORIA, B. C., March 1893.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.O.U.W.

GENTLEMEN :—Wm. Elford, who died on the 3rd of October, or on the morning of the 4th of October 1892, and who was a member of Sullivan Lodge No. 6 A. O. U. W. is, we claim, entitled on his death to the sum of \$2,000. It is however claimed that he was under suspension at the time of his death, he not having paid his assessments Nos. 3 and 4, amounting to \$2.00 at the proper date. This amount was paid by W. Elford to Mr. Fleming, a member of Sullivan Lodge on or about the 15th September 1892, and by him paid on the following day to Wescott, holding the office of financier of the said Sullivan Lodge.

That Lodge had its regular meeting on 23rd September, and it was the meeting at which W. Elford should have been re-instated, but it unfortunately happened that Mr. Wescott, Financier of Sullivan Lodge was absent, and failed to report that W. Elford had paid in his assessment as above.

We beg to hand in Coroner's certificate of death, certificate of sickness, certificate of undertaker, and statement of A. E. Wescott, Financier of Sullivan Lodge No. 6, A. O. U. W., that payment of assessments Nos. 3 and 4, due August 28th, was made as above.

We believe, and have reason for believing that the said Wm. Elford was under the impression that the assessment now in question, was that paid by him in July, running in almost identical terms.

We therefore beg that your ancient and honorable order will take the matter into your favourable consideration, and cause the said sum of \$2,000 to be paid to us, being the heirs under the will of the said Wm. Elford.

We are, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servants,

ROBT. ELFORD.

THEO. ELFORD.

Moved that the matter be referred to the Committee on Arbitration with full power to act, and that Messrs. Elford be so informed.

Carried.

No. 16.]

March 14th, 1893.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W. of British Columbia:

BRETHREN,—Your Finance Committee beg to report that they have examined the books and audited the accounts of the Grand Recorder and Grand Receiver up to 31st December, and find them correct.

The Recorder's books are made up to the end of the Fiscal Year. This has evidently been done for the purpose

of enabling him to make his report to the Supreme Lodge; consequently they include many of No. 10, 11 and 12 Assessments received during January and February. After making the aforesaid deductions, we find the balances from the books of the Grand Recorder and Grand Receiver to correspond, balance as follows :

	GENERAL FUND.	BENEFICIARY FUND.
Total Receipts.....	\$1680 10	\$5523 00
“ Disbursements	1435 51	2300 00
Balance.....	\$244 59	Bal...\$3223 00

Your committee would call attention to the increase in the duties of the Grand Recorder which call for almost his entire attention as well as for “special ability in the discharge of his official duties. We therefore believe that the present salary attached to the position is insufficient and recommend that it be increased as an incentive to that officer in the discharge of his very important duties.

The expenses of the delegates and members attending the session of the Grand Lodge amount to the sum of \$442.35, and recommend that an order be drawn on the Receiver for that amount.

The actual expenses of the respective members, viz.:—
 Victoria, \$20.00 ; Westminster, \$10.50; Vancouver, 11.50 ;
 Nanaimo, \$15.50; Comox, \$28.50; Chilliwack, \$4.50; Lad-
 ners, \$11.50; Cloverdale, \$12.50; Kamloops, \$34.50 ; Ver-
 non, \$45.25; Haney, \$9.50.

We also recommend that the per Capita Tax for the coming term be \$2.00, payable semi-annually.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. YODALL.
 EDWD. DRISCOLL.
 EDWARD BRAGG.

PAY ROLL OF REPRESENTATIVES.

NAME.	LOCATION.	AMT.
Gustave Leiser.....	Victoria,	\$20 00
Marcus Wolfe,	Nanaimo,.....	15 50
Murray Thain,.....	Vancouver,.....	11 50
Henry Jewell,.....	Victoria,.....	20 00
R. T. Williams,.....	"	20 00
R. Dinsdale,.....	"	20 00
R. B. Kelly,....	New Westminster....	10 50
Henry Kipp	Chilliwhack,.....	4 00
J. H. Hoy,.....	New Westminster,....	10 50
W. A. DeWolf Smith.....	"	10 50
Hugh Youdall,	"	10 50
Edward Bragg,.....	Victoria,.....	20 00
J. D. Warren,.....	"	20 00
Stanley James,	Vancouver,.....	11 50
David Muchie,.....	New Westminster,....	10 50
John Frame,.....	Nanaimo,....	15 50
William Jackson,	Victoria,.....	20 00
M. McGregor,	"	20 00
J. H. Hughes,.....	"	20 00
L. W. Paisley,.....	Chilliwhack,.....	4 00
T. L. Budlong,	Vancouver,	11 50
H. D. Bensen,.....	Ladner's Landing,....	11 50
J. H. Willemar,	Comox,	32 00
J. C. Tunstall,.....	Kamloops,	38 50
Edward Driscoll,.....	Vernon,	45 35
Hector Ferguson,	Port Haney,.....	9 50
		\$ 442 85

The Grand Lodge after accepting an invitation to visit Chilliwhack Lodge, No. 10, the same evening took recess until 8 o'clock a. m., to-morrow.

Tuesday, 8 a. m.—Grand Lodge opened in due form.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LAWS.

No. 17. |

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia:

Your Committee on Laws, beg leave to submit the following report:

1. We recommend that the decisions of Grand Master Leiser in his annual report be approved by the Grand Lodge.

2. That the recommendations in Grand Master Leiser's report be adopted.

3. We recommend that the matter of Bro. R. Green's Beneficiary Certificate be governed by the present laws of our order and no certificate be issued in favor of John Graham.

4. We recommend that the G. M. Examiner's report be adopted except that part suggesting enforced vaccination.

5. We recommend document No. 1 amending sec. 2, art. 7, of the Grand Lodge Constitution as follows: "No person shall be admitted to membership in this order who is engaged in the sale or retail of intoxicating liquors as a beverage," be adopted.

6. We recommend that document No. 2, referring to sec. 1, art. 15 Grand Lodge Constitution, to strike out the words "or to the Supreme Master Workman," be adopted.

7. We recommend document No. 3, that amendment suggested be adopted.

8. We recommend document No. 4 same as No. 2, which is dealt with.

9. We recommend document No. 5, amending sec. 1, art. 2, "That the maximum age be reduced from 50 to 45 years," be adopted, and all other sections touching this question be governed by this amendment.

10. We recommend document No. 6 amending sec. 1, art. 3, be not adopted.

11. We recommend document No. 7 sec. 4, art. 6, page 71, should be sec. 4, art. 12, be adopted.

12. We recommend document No. 8, amendment to sec. 1, art. 4, be not adopted.

13. We recommend document No. 9, not approved.

14. We recommend document No. 10, approved.

15. We recommend document No. 11, not approved.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed—H. FERGUSON, Chairman.

J. C. TUNSTALL,

W. JACKSON.

Received. All documents were adopted with the exception of No. 6, 7 and 8.

A telegram received by the Grand Recorder announcing the death of Bro. J. F. Becker, P. M. W., of Victoria, No. 1, was read, and it was

Resolved, that as a mark of respect this Grand Lodge does now adjourn until 1:30 p. m.

Adopted.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

SECOND DAY.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 1:30 p. m., Grand Master Workman Leiser in the chair.

No. 18.]

March 14th, 1893.

To Members of Grand Lodge :

Your Committee to whom was referred the G. M. W's. Report, beg to say we have carefully considered same and must congratulate this Grand Lodge upon having such an

able, zealous and enthusiastic officer in charge of its affairs, and certainly deserves some mark of appreciation from this Grand Jurisdiction.

While it may have inconvenienced some representatives and caused a little additional expense to Grand Lodge in meeting at Chilliwhack, yet we have no hesitancy in saying, that we deem it as doing the Order in our jurisdiction a great deal of good by moving occasionally to the interior centres of the Province.

The jurisdiction is certainly thankful to the Grand Master of the Universe for the care taken of our members, as our loss by death has been small. May He extend His protection and guidance in the future.

We note with pleasure the increase of membership and fully concur in the pointed remarks on this head, and beg to supplement the G. M. W.'s. advice by saying that more life should be infused in our jurisdiction, and a great deal can be done by individual effort.

As to the discouragement of extra hazardous risks (specifying coal miners and sealers) would say, that we do not entirely concur in this, and deem it a matter for Grand Lodge to carefully and intelligently debate.

The recommendation of maximum age limit for admission in this jurisdiction to be 45 meets with our approval and advise Grand Lodge so to amend the Constitution.

The need of a Grand Lecturer is certainly evident, and would do the Order here a vast amount of good and deserves the earnest consideration of the incoming G. M. W. if funds are available.

MARCUS WOLFE,
M. MCGREGOR,
R. B. KELLY.

Adopted.

No. 19]

REPORT ON G. M. EXAMINER'S REPORT.

March 4th, 1893,

To Members of the Grand Lodge:

Your Committee to whom was referred the Medical Examiner's Annual Report, beg to say that we have reviewed the same, and compliment him on the careful and efficient manner in which he has attended to the duties pertaining to his office which are most important and responsible.

We deem the recommendations as to undesirable material for admission into our Order can be safely left in his hands. The question of age limit raised by him will be discussed by Grand Lodge, as well as the eligibility of coal miners.

The Grand Lodge can certainly feel perfectly secure in matters connected with the Medical Examiner's Department, in the hands of Dr. De Wolfe Smith.

M. WOLFE.

M. MCGREGOR.

R. B. KELLY.

Adopted.

No. 20.]

To the Grand Lodge of British Columbia :

We, your committee on Document No. 13, re claim of Bro. Ross, recommend that the said claim be not allowed, as according to the evidence examined, Bro. Ross was informed that he would not be allowed any sums other than the \$50 or \$75 for the organization of any lodge, and we find that he has been over paid to the amount of \$12.50, for the formation of the Delta and Cloverdale Lodges, and has behaved in a

most unseemly manner as a Workman and Brother while on duty.

We beg to remain yours,
in C. H. P.,

M. W. THAIN.
L. W. PAISLEY.
JOHN FRAME.

Adopted.

No. 21.]

CHILLIWACK, March 13, 1893.

*To the Officers and Members of British Columbia Grand
Lodge A. O. U. W.*

BROTHERS:—Believing it to be to the best interests of every jurisdiction to adopt a newspaper published in the interest of our noble order, for the publication of assessment notices and other legal documents emanating from the offices of Grand Recorder and Grand Master Workman, and that the circulation of a paper devoted to these interests would materially increase the membership of your jurisdiction and cause every member to take greater interest in the order and perfect themselves more thoroughly in the arguments of the order, I hereby beg permission to present the following proposition with the view of adopting THE WASHINGTON WORKMAN as your official organ for the ensuing year, to be used for the publication of assessment notices and other official business from the offices of the Grand Recorder and Grand Master Workman of the jurisdiction of British Columbia.

I herewith submit to your honorable body the following proposition :—For the publication of all legal documents pertaining to lodge business, I will charge at the rate of 50 cts. per inch per month, the paper to be published semi-monthly as at present, each issue to contain such notice or notices, the bill for the same to be presented to the Grand Lodge Finance Committee.

In addition thereto I will furnish the paper herein named to every member of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia at the rate of $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents per copy, the same to be furnished semi-monthly, and to be collected for in the same manner as suggested in the case of official notices.

In addition thereto I will publish a directory of all the lodges in the jurisdiction, together with the name of the recorder and their nights of meeting, for the entire life of the contract, and will devote as much space to the news of your jurisdiction as it will be possible for the members of the same to supply, and will use my best endeavors to assist you in the increase of your membership.

I will also agree to mail the paper to each individual member of your jurisdiction on or before the 15th and 1st of each month, unless prevented by some action of your Grand Lodge officers, the elements or the Supreme powers.

Hoping these propositions will meet with your honorable body's approval, and that the same may be adopted and take effect on the 1st day of April, or as soon thereafter as you may determine best for the interests of the order and your constituents.

I have the honor of remaining

Yours most humbly in C. H. & P.,

J. HARMON CASKEY,

Editor and Prop. THE WASHINGTON WORKMAN.

Received and ordered filed.

The hour fixed for election of officers having arrived, the Grand Lodge proceeded to the election of officers.

Bros. J. Critchley and R. B. Hill were appointed tellers.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION.

GRAND MASTER WORKMAN.

Bro. M. Wolfe, of Nanaimo, No. 4 ; being the only nominee for Grand Master Workman, was declared elected by acclamation.

GRAND FOREMAN.

Bros. R. B. Kelly, L. W. Paisley, M. Thain, and J. D. Warren, were placed in nomination :

The ballot resulted in the election of Bro. J. D. Warren.

GRAND OVERSEER.

Bros. R. B. Kelly and L. W. Paisley were placed in nomination :

The ballot resulted in the election of Bro. L. W. Paisley

GRAND RECORDER.

The nominees were Henry Jewell, of Victoria Lodge No. 1, and Wm. Jackson, of Vancouver Lodge No. 5.

The ballot resulted in the election of Bro. H. Jewell.

GRAND RECEIVER.

Bro. R. T. Williams, of Victoria Lodge No. 1, was re-elected unanimously.

GRAND GUIDE.

The nominees were: Bros. F. L. Budlong, of Perseverance Lodge No. 11, Jas. Critchley, of Vancouver Lodge No. 5, M. McGregor, of Sullivan Lodge No. 6, and R. Dinsdale, of Vancouver Lodge No. 5.

The ballot resulted in the election of Bro. F. L. Budlong.

GRAND MEDICAL EXAMINER.

Bro. W. A. De Wolf Smith, of Brunette Lodge, No. 9, re-elected unanimously.

GRAND TRUSTEE.

Bro. Henry Kipp, of Chilliwack Lodge, No. 10, was re-elected.

GRAND INSIDE WATCHMAN.

The nominations were: Bros. E. Driscoll, of Vernon Lodge, No. 16, and Stanley James, of Granville Lodge, No. 2:

The ballot resulted in the election of Bro. E. Driscoll.

GRAND OUTSIDE WATCHMAN.

Bro. J. H. Hughes, of Western Star Lodge, No. 7, being the only nominee, was declared elected.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SUPREME LODGE.

The nominees were: Gus. Leiser, of Victoria Lodge, No. 1; H. Hoy, of Beaver Lodge, No. 3; W. H. Keary, of Beaver Lodge, No. 3, and T. J. McIlmoyle, of Vancouver Lodge, No. 5:

The ballot resulted in the election of Bros. Gus. Leiser, H. Hoy and W. H. Keary.

The hour fixed for installation having arrived the officers-elect were duly installed by Bro. H. Hoy, P.G.M.W., as follows :

LIST OF OFFICERS INSTALLED.

Past Grand Master Gustave Leiser Victoria, No. 1
 Grand Master Workman Marcus Wolfe Nanaimo, No. 4
 Grand Foreman J. D. Warren Victoria, No. 1
 Grand Overseer L. W. Paisley Chilliwack, No. 10
 Grand Recorder Henry Jewell Victoria, No. 1
 Grand Receiver R. T. Williams Victoria, No. 1
 Grand Medical Examiner W. A. De Wolfe Smith,
 Brunette, No. 9
 Grand Trustee Henry Kipp Chilliwack, No. 10
 Grand Inside Watchman Edward Driscoll Vernon, No. 16
 Grand Outside Watchman J.H. Hughes Western Star, No. 7

No. 22.]

Moved and seconded that "The Washington Workman" be declared the official organ of this Grand Lodge and that paper be mailed to each member in this jurisdiction for six months at 2½ cents per copy, to be paid for by this Grand Lodge, and at the expiration of the said six months the Grand Master Workman, Grand Foreman and Grand Overseer to have power to continue the same thereafter if in their judgment they consider it to be to the interest of this Grand Lodge.

A. M. BULLOCK,
J. D. WARREN,
ED. BRAGG.

Adopted.

No. 23.]

Moved, that it shall be the duty of the Grand Recorder when a death occurs in our jurisdiction to at once have printed assessment notice postal cards, and forward to each lodge (one card for each member) to be posted by the financier of the subordinate lodges to each of its members.

A. M. BULLOCK.
J. D. WARREN.

Adopted.

No. 24.]

Resolved, that our Grand Recorder be instructed to have 800 copies of the proceedings of this session of our Grand Lodge printed.

R. T. WILLIAMS.
F. L. BUDLONG.
A. M. BULLOCK.

Adopted.

No. 25.]

Resolved, that the summons covering the annual communications of Grand Lodge, shall be sent to members six weeks previous to the fixed date, and all notices of motion as well as amendments to constitution, shall be sent to the Grand Recorder, and by him inserted in summons as above directed.

MARCUS WOLFE.

W. A. DEWOLFE SMITH.

Adopted.

No. 26.]

Resolved, that the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and hereby tendered to our Grand Receiver, Bro. R. T. Williams, for the gratuitous services rendered this jurisdiction, and for the many favors and courtesies extended.

C. W. HORTH.

F. L. BUDLONG.

Adopted by unanimous vote.

No. 27.]

Resolved, that the next meeting of this Grand Lodge be held at Ladners's Landing, and that the date be changed to the second Wednesday of May, 1894.

HENRY KIPP.

J. D. WARREN.

ED. BRAGG.

Adopted by unanimous vote.

No. 28.]

Resolved that the thanks of the Grand Lodge are due and hereby tendered to Grand Recorder H. Jewell for his

untiring efforts on behalf of our jurisdiction; also to Bro.
A. M. Bullock for valuable assistance during the session.

J. D. WARREN,

C. STEERS,

R. T. WILLIAMS.

Adopted by unanimous vote.

Grand Master Wolfe made the following appointments:

COMMITTEE ON LAWS.

Gustav Leiser of Victoria Lodge, No. 1.

A. M. Bullock of Granville Lodge, No. 2.

Murray Thain of Granville Lodge, No. 2.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

E. Bragg, Sullivan Lodge, No. 6.

Wm. Jackson, Vancouver Lodge, No. 5.

J. Critchley, " " "

COMMITTEE ON ARBITRATION:

Gus. Leiser of Victoria Lodge, No. 1.

M. Wolfe of Nanaimo Lodge, No. 4.

H. Hoy, Beaver Lodge, No. 3.

No. 29.]

Resolved, that the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and hereby tendered to our retiring Grand Master Workman Gustav Leiser, for the untiring attention and successful administration he has given us, and as a further mark of our appreciation, beg to move that the sum of one hundred dollars be now voted for the purpose of procuring a suitable testimonial to be procured by a select committee and presented accordingly.

F. L. BUDLONG,

EDWARD DRISCOLL.

Adopted by a rising vote of the Grand Lodge. And the following committee appointed: Bros. J. D. Warren, R. T. Williams and W. A. De Wolfe Smith.

No. 30.]

Resolved, that the most sincere and hearty thanks are due and hereby tendered to the officers and members of Chilliwhack Lodge No. 10, for their hospitality and many courtesies extended to the Grand Lodge while in session.

G. LEISER.

H. HOY.

M. WOLFE.

J. D. WARREN.

H. JEWELL.

Adopted by a unanimous vote.

Bro. John C. Henderson, on behalf of Chilliwhack Lodge No. 10, invited all the members of the Grand Lodge to a concert and banquet for the evening. Accepted.

The business of the Grand Lodge being finished, the Grand Master Workman declared the Grand Lodge adjourned at 6:30 p.m., to meet at Ladner's Landing on the second Wednesday in May 1894.

